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LADIES' LEGS.—Mrs. Anna Cora Mowatt
Ritchie, in her London letter to the San Fran-
cisco Chronicle, handles the legs of some of her
American and English sisters in this free man-
ner:—

"We trust our fair American sisters will not be
shocked by our unhesitating use of the word
"leg," which they are accustomed to designate
as "limb," or "lower limb." In England and
all over Europe that little subterfuge would be
pronounced indelicate and affected; and it
certainly is the latter, if not the former. But
to our story. White, symmetrical femine
legs are said to be disappearing from American
soil. They are so much in the ascendant in
England that ladies of rank have invented a
new method of making known their fair pro-
portions.

We read in the March number of the Galaxy
that in a work just published, two American
medical men put forth the gross slander that
"a handsome leg is a rarity—we had almost said
an impossibility—among American women!"
We do not believe the unallied, though
American ladies are in the habit of publish-
ing their charms by having casts taken of their
shapely legs, as an ornament for drawing room
tables, or to be sold for the benefit of the
Vendor of casts, or to be circulated among friends
as a delicate token of friendship and valuable
work of art. What we are about to relate ap-
pears, at the first blush, so incredible that we
hold ourselves responsible for its exact truth.
Upon the drawing-room table of a lady of rank
in London—a lady of high position and irre-
proachable character—may be seen, beneath
a glass case, a lovely dimpled little foot, delicate
and rounded calf, up to the knee joint;
it is the cast of the leg of Lady——, the
hostess.

In Soho square there is a small, rather
humble looking shop, in which you can
purchase for five shillings, a cast of one of the
most exquisite legs, the original (in the
shape) belongs to Lady——, who went
to this little shop incognito, and had her perfect
leg moulded, and afterwards generously gave
the showman the privilege of selling copies
of the cast, which he does daily, for it was
quickly discovered to whom the beautiful leg
belonged. One lady, wife of a Mayor of a
town in the provinces, came to London and had
two casts taken of her leg; one nude, and one
with the neat little shoe, stocking and garter.
Strange to say (though no artist will call it
strange) the leg with the stocking and garter
produced an effect much further removed
from modesty than the leg quite unadorned.
Bracconi, the cast vendor in Covent
Garden, drives a brisk trade in casting ladies'
legs, and has any quantity of models of all
descriptions taken from life, and chiefly from
noble life, for sale. How this leg mania
originated we have not heard, but there is
certainly some explanation for this sudden passion
on the aristocratic fair to have their legs
recognised; perhaps it is only because "a
thing of beauty is a joy forever."

CIRCUMLOCUTION OFFICE.—Mr. Beck of
Kentucky, gave in the House the other day a
raucous history of experiences in getting through
the "Circumlocution Office." He said that in
collecting a judgment of the Court of Claims
a lawyer had to go through the following devo-
tious ways:—

First—Went to the Chief Clerk of the First
Auditor; he stated the account and computed
the interest.
Second—Went to another Clerk in the same
office, who copied and numbered the account.
Third—Went to another Clerk in the First
Comptroller's office, who registered in his book
the number and amount of the account.
Fourth—Went to the Chief Clerk of the
First Comptroller, who verified the account and
the computation of interest.
Fifth—Went to the First Comptroller, who
signed it.
Sixth—Went back to No. 3, who again ver-
ified it.
Seventh—Went to the Register's Clerk, who
copied and gistered it.
Eighth—Went to the Deputy Register, who
signed it.
Ninth—Went to the Warrant Clerk, and ob-
tained a warrant.
Tenth—Went to Mr. West, the Chief Clerk,
who signed it.
Eleventh—Went to Mr. Hurlley, the As-
sistant Secretary, who signed it.
Twelfth—Went to Mr. Lamb, in the Com-
ptroller's office, who registered it.
Thirteenth—Went to the First Comptroller,
who signed it.
Fourteenth—Went to the Register's Clerk,
who copied it.
Fifteenth—Went to Register Allison, who
signed it.
Sixteenth—Went to Mr. Mann, in the draft
room, where the draft was made.
Seventeenth—Went to Mr. Tuttle, Assistant
Treasurer, who signed the draft.
Eighteenth—Went to the Register's Clerk,
who recorded the draft.
Nineteenth—Went to Register Allison, who
signed the draft.
Twentieth—Went to Mr. Mann, who took
my receipt for the draft and handed it over to
me.
Twenty-first—Treated Mr. Mann to a whis-
key-toddy. [Loud laughter.]

SOCIETY.—If you had travelled as much as I
have; if you had scrambled as much as I have
for seats, and for the best ones—for I have
men are contagious—if you have travelled as
much as I have on steamboats and seen how
people that are most decorous at home, when
the bell rings, and there are to be two tables,
rush through the cabins and down stairs to
their meals, you could appreciate the necessity
for a reform in this matter. But I do not think
you need go to steamboats or railway depots to
be convinced of this. If you have what pigs men
make of themselves who are well fed at home;
how they behave at the refreshment table, how
they lose their self respect, you do not need any
further arguments on this subject.—Beecher.

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Gentlemen's Blue, Brown and Black, English Ser-
pentine, English and French Fancy Styles,
not to be excelled in this or any other market;
also a large assortment of Tailors' Trimmings.

We will furnish Dress and Business Suits at
very low rates, made and trimmed in the best
manner, guaranteeing a perfect fit.

GENTS' DRESS SHIRTS, of all numbers,

constantly on hand. We will also have Shirts
made for Gents or Boys by measure, guaranteeing
a fit. Underwear for Gents, all numbers,
English Half Hose, all numbers. We would
invite any who are in want of the above goods
to call and see us, as we feel sure we can please.

WITMER & SLAYMAKERS,
75 and 77 King street.

ap 5

MORE NEW GOODS.

84 Bleached Satin Table Damask. Very
84 Half Bleached " " Cheap.

Damask Napkins and Doilies, all prices.
Huck Towels, Plaid Nainsooks, White Jac-
sonet Cambrics, and another lot of Bleached
and Unbleached Cottons.

WITMER & SLAYMAKERS.
75 and 77 King street.

NEW KID GLOVES.

Received from the importers this day beauti-
ful Spring Shades of Ladies' Kid Gloves—Nos.
6, 6 1/2, 6 3/4, and 7. These are the very best
Gloves. We have good cheap Kid Gloves. Also
a lot of Soiled Kid Gloves very cheap.

ROBE L. WOOD.
feb 11

SHAWLS! SHAWLS!

Another large lot of LONG SHAWLS, cheap-
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and see them before they are all gone.

WITMER & SLAYMAKERS.
dec 22

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Shawls, Children's Hoods, Caps, and Head
Dresses, with a great variety of Stockings,
Gloves, Yarns, Ladies' Woolen Vests, &c., &c.
Call and see them at

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For Overcoats and Cloaks, just received at
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Washington, Dec 15—16

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PIANOS.**

WM. HEINEKAMP'S first-class BALTI-
MORE PIANOS. Every instrument warranted
for five years. Sold at factory prices on ac-
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PARLOR ORGANS from the best makers.
I will also furnish PIANOS from any maker
in the country, for which persons may have
a preference, at factory prices. I hope thereby
to leave no cause for those who have at heart
the interest of Alexandria to buy away from
home.

I have also PIANOS from first-class makers,
which have been out on rent, for sale at very re-
duced prices. Every instrument warranted—
Also the following:

Violins, Guitars, Flutes, Flutinas, Accord-
ions, Conchettas, Violoncellos, Banjos, Vi-
olin Bows, Bridges, Pins, Rosin, Mouth Organs,
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Best quality Violin and Guitar Strings.
Instrumental and Vocal Sheet Music, In-
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My facilities for repairs of Pianos, Organs,
Accordions, Violins, &c., &c., are much en-
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Pianos, Organs, &c., for Rent. Also, tuned
and packed. [Jan 10] **W. BECKER.**

IF YOU WANT A GOOD, CHEAP AND DURABLE

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He is also the wholesale and retail agent for
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PARLOR and DINING ROOM HEATERS,
the best stove ever brought before the public.
It will heat at least 60 per cent more and con-
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ever been introduced in this market. He would
call the attention of housekeepers and builders
to these beautiful and durable heaters, as it
will give him pleasure to explain the great im-
provements and advantages they have over all
others, and also take your orders for one or
more of them. Call and see them.

The celebrated **IRON-BOILER COOKING
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E. H. CLARKSON'S,
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Two Howe Machines, new and in perfect or-
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WHITE and BROWN SUGARS, all kinds,
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J. CLINTON MILBURN.
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Natural Oil just received and for sale by

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**STEPHEN A. GREEN, JAMES E. GREEN,
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AND SAW MILL,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Having fitted up our factory with the
latest and most approved machinery,
we are prepared to furnish all
kinds of HOUSE, OFFICE and
SCHOOL FURNITURE at the very lowest
rates; and are also prepared to do all kinds of
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ING and CARVING in our line.

Wanted, in exchange for Furniture, Walnut,
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Manufacturer and Dealer in
FURNITURE.

Looking Glasses,
Hair, Cotton Top and Husk
Mattresses,
kept constantly on hand and made to order at
reasonable prices.

C. C. BRADLEY,

MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN
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Jan 1—Jan 1 **ALEXANDRIA, VA.**

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ALL KINDS OF CABINET FURNITURE,
Chairs, Mattresses, Looking Glasses, &c.,
COR. KING & ST. ASAPH STS.,
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F. RECKER, Dealer in
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UORS, &c., &c.,
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Country Produce bought at the highest mar-
ket price.
Goods delivered to any part of the city free
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F. G. SWANE,

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which he will sell cheap for cash. fe 26

J. CLINTON MILBURN,

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And Dealer in the TEAS, WINES, LIQUORS
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Particular attention paid to the sale of fine
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Having procured the agency for the sale of Thos. Hay-
den's celebrated PLAIN and FANCY
CRACKERS, fresh from the bakery every day
and put up in packages to suit the trade, I
am enabled to sell at reduced prices. No charge
for packages. Merchants and others would do
well to give me a call and judge for themselves.

F. RECKER,
Corner King and St. Asaph sts.

Goods shipped to any part of the city free of
charge. mh 31

POTOMAC INSURANCE COMPANY.

A DIVIDEND OF ASSETS OF THE Company to
the extent of SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTY CTS.
per share will be paid to the stockholders on
their legal representatives, on and after the 6th
day of April, 1870.

**THOMAS DAVY,
BENONI WHEAT,**
Assignees.

NOTICE—All persons having claims against
the Company will present them at once for
payment. mh 31—106

SPECIAL NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT TAX-PAYERS.

All persons indebted to the city of Alexan-
dria for taxes, who wish to settle the same with-
out costs, can do so at my office, No. 12 Royal
street, between the hours of 4 and 8 o'clock p.
m., where I will attend to the same, and will do
all necessary settling. I am directed to in-
stitute proceedings for their immediate collec-
tion.

P. B. STILSON,
Feb 1—16 Corporation At ory.

SALT TO ARRIVE.

1 offer for sale the cargo of the British Bark
Canada, to arrive from Liverpool.

500 sacks Worthington's Fine. }
500 sacks Evans' " " }
300 sacks Jeffery & Darcey's " }
4000 sacks Ground Alum, filled 10 to the ton.

ALSO,
6000 bushels Ground Alum Salt, in bulk.

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The RESTAURANT and FIXTURES, with
a three years' lease, on the corner of Market
and Sharp streets, will be sold on reasonable
terms. Having other business to attend to,
which requires all my attention, I offer the
above for sale. The Restaurant has rooms to
accommodate from 12 to 16 lodgers, and has
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Equipped with every convenience.

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Just received a fine assortment of Gold Brand
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trade sales in New York at 10 per cent advance,
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**Crichton & Sons' AMMONIATED PHOS-
PHATE,** for sale by **B. H. LAMBERT,**
Jan 5—2m 18 Union wharf.

JUST RECEIVED.

All the latest styles of
HATS FOR SPRING.

Also, a large stock of
SILK HATS.

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600 bbls celebrated "ROUND TOP" HY-
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A full assortment of Bombazine Finish Al-
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ap 6

ENGLISH PICKLES, Chow Chow, Capers,

Worcestershire Sauce, Walnut and Tim-
to Catsup, Jellies, &c., received and for sale by

FRED RECKER.
ap 2

CHOICE SUGAR-CURED HAMS, at 10c

per lb, for sale by

J. CLINTON MILBURN.
ap 1

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HOW OFTEN IS THE HOUSEHOLD

lost buried with the household head, and
families that might have been comfortably
provided for, left destitute by the want of a
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STAUNTON, VA.

Offers to every head of a family perfect security
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